CLARIFICATION STATEMENT OF THE TENNESSEE COLLECTION SERVICE BOARD REGARDING DEBT/JUDGMENT PURCHASERS AND "PASSIVE" DEBT BUYERS

It is currently the opinion of the Tennessee Collection Service Board that entities who purchase judgments or other forms of indebtedness will be deemed a "collection service" if they collect or attempt to collect the debt or judgment subsequent to their purchase of the debt or judgment. However, entities who purchase debt or judgments in the manner described above but who do not collect or attempt to collect the purchased debt or judgment, but rather assign collection activity relative to the purchased debt to a licensed collection agency or a licensed attorney or law firm shall not be deemed to be a "collection service".